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SUBJ: OPERATIONS KITCHEN AND FUNNEL (CXX GFT OPERATION KITCHEN/
GFT OPERATION FUNNEL)

SUMMARY: MISSION HAS OBTAINED GOC APPROVAL IN PRINCIPLE BEGIN
OPERATIONS KITCHEN AND FUNNEL ON/ABOUT OCTOBER. ACTION REQUESTED:
SUGGEST AID TECHNICIAN BE PREPARED VISIT BOGOTA FOR MAXIMUM
ONE WEEK BEGINNING EARLY SEPTEMBER DISCUSS EQUIPMENT NEEDS FOR
BOTH OPERATIONS.

1. FOL BRIEFINGS BY AMBASSADOR AND SAIC, MIN OF JUSTICE AND
GOC ATTORNEY GEN (PROCURADOR) HAVE GIVEN THEIR APPROVAL IN
PRINCIPLE BEGIN OPERATIONS KITCHEN AND FUNNEL ABOUT OCTOBER 1.
OVERALL COORDINATOR FOR BOTH OPERATIONS WILL BE ASST ATTNY GEN
FOR JUDICIAL POLICE SANCHEZ MENDEZ. ATTORNEY FROM OFFICE OF
ASST ATTNY GEN WILL BE ASSIGNED TO DIRECT EACH OPERATION.

2. MINJUSTICE AND ATTY GEN ARE COLLABORATING ON OVERALL COOR-
DINATION AMONG THREE GOC NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES:DA
CUSTOMS, DAS
AND F-2. MINJUSTICE WISHES THAT HEADS OF EACH OF
THESE THREE AGENCIES BE BRIEFED IN SOME DETAIL ON KITCHEN AND
FUNNEL IN ORDER PREVENT BUREAUCRATIC RIVALRIES OR CONFLICTS
AMONG AGENCIES.

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3. THOUGH WE ORIGINALLY SUGGESTED THAT BOTH OPERATIONS INCLUDE

ELEMENTS FROM ALL THREE AGENCIES, ATTY GEN HAS TENTATIVELY CHOSEN F-2 AS OPERATIONAL AGENCY FOR KITCHEN AND DAS FOR FUNNEL. MINJUSTICE AND ATTY GEN ARE, HOWEVER, DISCUSSING THIS AND OTHER OPERATIONAL MODALITIES AND WILL, WE EXPECT, ARRIVE AT AN AGREED POSITION LATER THIS WEEK.

4. ONCE ATTY GEN AND MINJUSTICE HAVE DEFINITELY ESTABLISHED WHICH AGENCIES WILL BE INVOLVED IN FUNNEL AND KITCHEN, WE WILL REQUEST TRAVEL TDY AID TECH DISCUSS EQUIPMENT NEEDS. IN MEANTIME, FOR PLANNING PURPOSES, SUGGEST S/NM AND SER/INC BE PREPARED SEND TECHNICIAN TO BOGOTA NOT LATER THAN SEPT 10 FOR MAXIMUM ONE WEEK'S WORK.
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